

REMARKS

The Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification notes that "Figure 9" is listed in the Drawings but not contained in the Brief Description of the Drawings. In response, Figure 8 of the drawings has been amended to read "Figure 9." In addition, a new description for "Figure 8" has been entered.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.312, this amendment is being made before or with the payment of the issue fee.

CONCLUSION

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Applicants believe the case is still in condition for issuance.

Respectfully submitted,



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NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY WITH SPECIFICATION

The drawings filed 10/02/2000 have been received. However, an inconsistency exists between the drawings and the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Figure _____ is listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification but not contained in the Drawings.

Figure 9 is contained in the Drawings but not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Applicant is required to correct the above-noted inconsistency within a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer**, from the mailing date of this Notice, or within the time remaining in the time period set forth in the Notice of Allowability (Form PTOL-37) to file corrected drawings, whichever is longer. **NO EXTENSION OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136 (a) OR (b)**

Failure to correct the above noted inconsistency will result in **abandonment** of the application.

The file will be held in the Publishing Division to await the correction of the inconsistency.

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